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IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
YOSHIHISA SOEDA, ET AL. : EXAMINER: THOMPSON, J.  
SERIAL NO: 09/859,501 :  
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FOR: IMAGE READING DEVICE AND :  
IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS :

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action of January 12, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 12 of this paper.